

GILL NET FISHERMEN WANT BOTH LIGHTS ON THACHER'S RETAINED

A special meeting of the Master Mariners' Association was held yesterday afternoon, having been called by Capt. Edward Proctor, at the request of the Maritime Association to consider the proposed change of the lights on Thacher's Island.

It was voted by the Master Mariners' Association this month to approve the change of the increase of candle power on the island for one light, but the local gill netters had a complaint to make, and acting on the suggestion of these fishermen, the meeting was called.

The gill netters claim that they use the channel between Thacher's and the shore in going to their fishing grounds, and if one of the lights is

done away with they will not have protection from the dreaded shoals on the Londoner or Salvages. They favor the increase to 94,000 candle power of one light, which will be a great benefit to off-shore steamers and sailing craft, but ask that the second light be retained with its present candle power.

If this cannot be done, they ask that gas buoys be placed as markers on the Londoner and at Salvages, that their lives and craft might not be placed in danger from running ashore.

A committee consisting of Capt. Edward Proctor, Charles Nelson, Gerry Shoares and John Barrett, and Lawrence J. Hart, secretary of the Maritime Association was appointed to confer with Congressman A. Piatt Andrew and members of the lighthouse board, that conditions satisfactory to our fishermen might be worked out.

SHORE DRAGGERS MAKE UP ARRIVALS

**ELEVEN BOATS LANDED NEARLY
50,000 POUNDS THIS
MORNING.**

Eleven of the shore boats, draggers and trawlers, landed a combined fare of approximately 50,000 pounds of fresh fish this morning. The bulk of the day's receipts was haddock, which were shipped to outside markets. Gill netters had poor hauls yesterday, the total receipts amounting to but 27,000 pounds of mixed fish.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Sch. Dorcas, dragging, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. St. John, dragging, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. St. Peter, dragging, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. St. Providence II., dragging, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Uncle Sam, dragging, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Albatross, dragging, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Margaret D., dragging, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Dorothy M., trawling, 3200 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mildred Silva, via Boston.
Boat Angie and Vence, dragging, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Angie and Mary, dragging, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Clarence B. Mitchell, dragging, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

Boat Mary J. Landry, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Inca, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Agnes and Myrnie, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Enterprise, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Mary A., 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Liboria C., 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Edna Fae, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Alicia, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Jackie B., 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Naomi Bruce II., 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Lucretia, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Elizabeth and James, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

Sch. Herbert Parker, dragging.
Sch. Evelina M. Goulart, dragging.
Sch. Olivia Brown, dragging.
Sch. Marie and Winifred, dragging.
Sch. Governor Al Smith, dragging.
Sch. Evelyn G. Sears, shore.

BOSTON MARKET IS STILL FIRM

**RECEIPTS TOTAL NEARLY 650,000
POUNDS THIS MORNING—
HADDOCK AT \$6.**

A fleet of 29 vessels brought their fares to the Boston fish pier this morning. Fares aggregated 615,000 pounds of groundfish and 135,000 pounds of mixed fish. Steamer fares were only small. The market continued good. Haddock sold at \$6; large cod, \$9 and markets, \$5.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Str. Foam, 32,000 haddock, 3500 cod, 19,000 mixed fish.
Str. Swell, 40,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 10,000 mixed fish.
Str. Cormorant, 7000 haddock, 6000 cod, 4000 mixed fish.
Str. Fish Hawk, 10,000 haddock, 1500 cod 6500 mixed fish.
Str. Coot, 48,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 3700 mixed fish.
Str. Dorchester, 35,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 19,000 mixed fish.
Str. Trimount, 63,000 haddock, 4500 cod, 8500 mixed fish.
Boat Bettina, 22,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 8000 mixed fish.
Sch. Ranger, 26,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 4700 mixed fish.
Sch. Irene and Helen, 3000 haddock, 2100 cod, 5000 mixed fish.
Sch. Olive M. Williams, 20,000 scrod, 5000 mixed fish.
Sch. Cape Ann, 24,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 10,000 hake, 4500 cusk.
Sch. Killarney, 31,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 8000 hake, 16,000 cusk.
Sch. Progress, 30,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 pollock.
Sch. Mary E. O'Hara, 18,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 7500 hake, 20,000 cusk.
Sch. Natalie S., 2500 haddock, 500 cod, 3000 hake, 1500 cusk.
Sch. J. M. Marshall, 7000 haddock, 1800 cod.

Boat Sebastian and Figli, 5000 mixed fish.
Boat Princess, 7000 mixed fish.
Boat Mayo First, 4000 mixed fish.
Haddock, \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$9; market cod, \$5; hake, \$6; pollock, \$4; cusk, \$4; gray sale, 9 1-2 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 13 cents; black backs, 6 cents; yellow tails, 3 to 3 1-2 cents; dabs, 3 cents; redfish, 1 cent; spawn, 12 cents; catfish, 6 cents.

N. F. Codfish News.

Reports from the codfish markets do not indicate much improvement over last week. Stocks in some instances are large and consumption has been disappointing. The Labrador situation is none too good for prices to net shippers a profit, but the outlook for improvement during the next few weeks, when it is hoped a more active consumption for Newfoundland cure will stimulate sales. Carryover is not large and with six months to go before the new season opens there will be no large quantity of fish to ship. Some price adjustment between exporters will be necessary during another season. According to nature's law of supply and demand fishermen received too much for their fish, consequently markets have had to limit their supplies owing to the high prices shippers had to sell in order to let them out. Another factor to be considered is when fish exceeds a certain value, consumption is lessened by the substitution of cheaper foods. Once let our fishing interests decide to unite and pool their ideas, the result should sustain better marketing.—St. John's Trade Review.

N. F. Herring Fishery.

Recent reports would indicate that there will be a short herring fishery this year. The catch on the West Coast is estimated to be two-thirds short of last year and the fishery in Trinity Bay is also a comparative failure. Stormy weather during the past few months is accountable for much of this shortage. Fishermen have had to stand by and watch the weather glass and be satisfied if able to make one or two trips to the grounds each week.

Some activity has been witnessed again this year on the West Coast with foreign bottoms arriving to load herring for Gloucester and other foreign ports. Our markets should be extended beyond the port of New York where the shrewd buying of a herring combine keep prices low only to realize later on throughout the United States at handsome profits. There is need of organizing our herring industry and to appoint an active representative in New York to look after Newfoundland herring after arrival, and to place them where they can be realized at greatest profit.—St. John's Trade Review.

Cod Liver Oil.

There is nothing new to report this week, markets continue weak and unchanged. With Norway's fishery about to open it will be interesting to note the yield of oil from cod livers as prices are usually based on the outlook for production early in the season. There is still \$10 difference in price on the New York market between Norwegian and Newfoundland oil and there seems to be a need of price adjustment to stimulate the consumption of refined oil produced in this country.—St. John's Trade Review.

Salt Mackerel Imports.

Imports of new salt mackerel at Boston have been 2879 barrels. In 1928, imports 3812 barrels; 1927, 14,005 barrels; 1926, 5688 barrels and in 1925, 1382 barrels.